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U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi toured a historic train station in St. Paul Saturday that's being turned into a transit hub with stimulus dollars.

The depot project is getting \$35 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

She said Saturday that it's "a small price to pay for taking this region into the future."

It's expected to reopen in September 2012 as a hub for Amtrak trains and local and interstate buses. The Central Corridor light rail line will be added in 2014. Future commuter rail lines and high-speed service to Chicago could also feed into the station in downtown St. Paul.

A spokeswoman for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee said Pelosi also attended a fundraiser for that group at a private home in Edina, Minn. on Friday.